

CAPSULE SUMMARY**CT-359****Gordon K. Ward House****9642 Boyds Turn Road****Owings, Calvert County****c1840****Private**

Built during the second quarter of the 19th century, the house at 9642 Boyds Turn Road is a much altered example of a two-story side-hall-plan dwelling, a common house type in Calvert County during the period. By the early 19th century an upper-middle class of farmers had arisen in the county with means to construct well-appointed dwellings on their tobacco farms. From 1820 to 1860, these farmers built a large number of two-story, three-bay, side-hall-plan dwellings with side-gable roofs and paired shouldered chimneys at one gable end. Typically, these dwellings were freestanding as seen at 9642 Boyds Turn Road, or additions to existing houses. Prominent examples of this type of dwelling include The Spout (CT-62), the Brewhouse (CT-52), Small Reward (CT-225), His Lordship's Favor (CT-19), and Hallowing Point (CT-36). The associated agricultural buildings are representative of the agricultural lifestyle of tobacco farmers in Calvert County during the early 20th century.

The wood-frame dwelling stands two-and-a-half stories in height on a solid concrete foundation that has been parged. Square in plan, the building maintains a side-entry, double-pile plan with a three-bay-wide facade. The dwelling was renovated in the latter part of the 20th century, resulting in the recladding of the structure in vinyl siding. It is covered by a shallow-pitched side-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. The roof, indicative of the period in which the building was constructed, has an unadorned-boxed cornice now largely obscured by gutters. Two single-shouldered brick chimneys are located on the south elevation. The narrow form of the shafts and stacks, coupled with the brick pattern and mortar joints, indicate the chimneys have recently been reconstructed. Associated with the dwelling are a number of agricultural buildings including two barns, a corncrib, and three sheds.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Gordon K. Ward House

other

2. Location

street and number	9642 Boyds Turn Road	not for publication
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city, town	Owings	vicinity
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county Calvert

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mary Lee Grasso and Douglas C. Bohlayer

street and number	2802 Baker Lane	telephone	Unknown
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city, town	Bowie	state	MD	zip code	20715
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4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 7:118

city, town	Pr. Frederick	liber	ABE685	folio	550
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5. Primary Location of Additional Data

☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report
☐ Other

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function		Resource Count	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	<input type="text" value="Contributing"/>	<input type="text" value="Noncontributing"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	<input type="text" value="7"/>	<input type="text" value="buildings"/>
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		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
				Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
				1	

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

SETTING. The house sits on high ground, surrounded by sloping agriculture fields. The remnants of the early-20th-century landscaping include mature shade trees, evergreens and a cedar-lined drive that approaches the dwelling from the north side. The dwelling is oriented to the east, fronting Boyds Turn Road. A wire fence runs to the south and west of the dwelling, interrupted by two sheds set to the southwest of the house. The well, located within close proximity to the dwelling, is set to the northwest. The agricultural buildings are located to the west of the dwelling. This includes the two barns, one shed and corncrib.

PRIMARY RESOURCE. The dwelling appears to date from circa 1840 and was substantially renovated in the latter part of the 20th century, resulting in the recladding of the wood-frame structure in vinyl siding. The current property owner suggests the dwelling was constructed in 1740s, although no documentary evidence was discovered during the reconnaissance survey. It is possible a 1740s structure remains intact under the late-20th-century renovations and that this 1740s date of construction is supported by documentation in the possession of the owner that was not accessible at the time of the survey.

The wood-frame dwelling stands two-and-a-half stories in height on a solid concrete foundation that has been parged. Square in plan, the building maintains a side-entry, double-pile plan with a three-bay-wide facade. It is covered by a shallow-pitched side gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. The roof, indicative of the period in which the building was constructed, has an unadorned-boxed cornice now largely obscured by gutters. It is clad in asphalt shingles. Two single-shouldered brick chimneys are located on the exterior of the south elevation. The narrow form of the shafts and stacks, coupled with the brick pattern and mortar joints, indicate the chimneys have recently been reconstructed. A Colonial Revival-style portico on the façade and full-width with wooden deck on the rear augments the dwelling.

The one-story portico dominates the façade, which measures three bays wide. Wrought-iron posts support the front-gabled roof of the portico. It has an asphalt shingle roof and vinyl cladding on the tympanum. Sheltered under the portico, the main entry maintains its original mid-19th-century detailing, including the Tuscan pilasters and entablature with plain frieze and molded corner blocks. Set within this opening are the narrow sidelights, each consisting of four fixed lights over a single raised panel. The symmetrical façade is pierced by 1/1 replacement vinyl sash windows with vinyl surrounds, sills, and shutters. The side and rear elevations are similarly fenestrated with single and paired 1/1 replacement windows. The opening on the rear elevation, specifically on the second story, lack shutters. A shed-roof porch that has been enclosed with metal jalousie windows dominates the rear elevation. The enclosed full-width porch is access through the single entry, which holds a multi-light wood door, on the south elevation. Additionally, it is accessed through a single entry on the south elevation that leads from the wooden deck.

SECONDARY STRUCTURES. There are several historic outbuildings that relate to the domestic and agricultural nature of the property. This includes the circa 1930s well, set to the northwest of the house. The well consists of a concrete pad supporting a metal pump. Two sheds are located to the southwest of the house, flanked by the wire fence. The 1930s sheds are one story in height with vinyl siding cladding the wood-frame structures. They are set on solid concrete foundations and covered with gable roofs clad in asphalt shingles. The overhanging eaves are finished with exposed rafters. One of the sheds has four-light windows, while the other has six-light windows.

The largest of the agricultural buildings is the two-story barn, set to the west of the house. Built into the slope of the landscape, the barn dates from circa 1930 and is set on a solid concrete foundation. It has a steeply pitched gable roof and is clad in vertical weatherboard. The modest shed, dating from the 1920s, is located to the west of the large barn. This one-story structure is constructed of wood frame with vertical board siding and a concrete block foundation. The gabled roof is finished with v-crimped metal sheets and has exposed rafter ends. A hinges door is located on the southwest elevation. Further to the west is the corncrib, which dates from the 1930s. The one-and-a-half-story structure is set on a timber pier foundation and clad with vertical boards. The gabled roof is clad with v-crimped metal sheets. A shed-roofed shelter is located on the northwest side of the structure. The shelter is set on wooden piers and clad with metal sheets. A second 1930s barn is located to the northwest of the dwelling. This

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barn, built into the slope of the landscape, rises one-and-a-half stories on a solid concrete foundation. The wood-frame structure is clad in vertical boards. The gabled roof is clad with v-crimped metal sheets and has a slight overhang. A shed-roof shelter is located on the southwest side of the barn. This shelter, supported by uncut timbers, houses tractors. The southeast elevation has five openings.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
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	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Specific dates c1840

Architect/Builder Unknown

Construction dates c1840

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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Based on the building's form, visible historic materials, and plan, a circa 1840 construction date was applied to the dwelling. Evidence of an older structure are not visible from the exterior because of the late-20th-century renovations, resulting in the recladding of the wood-frame structure in vinyl siding and the parged concrete-block foundation. The current property owner suggests the dwelling was constructed in 1740s, although no documentary evidence was discovered during the reconnaissance survey. It is possible a 1740s structure remains intact under the late-20th-century renovations and that this 1740s date of construction is supported by documentation in the possession of the owner that was not accessible at the time of the survey.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 20.07 Acres

Acreage of historical setting Unknown

Quadrangle name North Beach

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The historic house is located at 9642 Boyds Turn Road in Owings, Maryland. It has been associated with Tax Map 7, Parcel 118 since its construction during the second quarter of the 19th century. The current deed to the property can be found in the land records of Calvert County in the Calvert County Courthouse in Prince Frederick: Deed Book ABE 685, Page 550.

11. Form Prepared By

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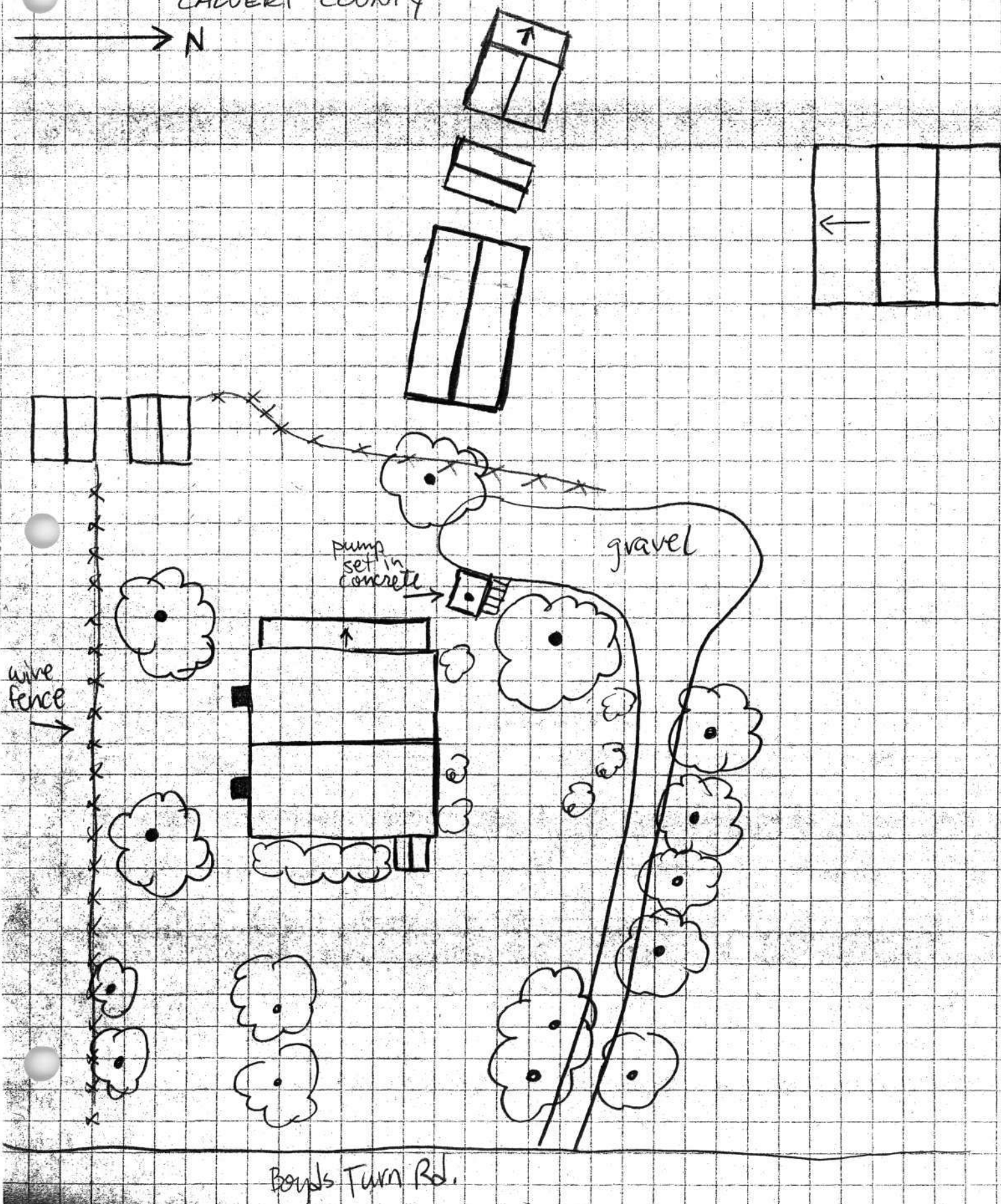
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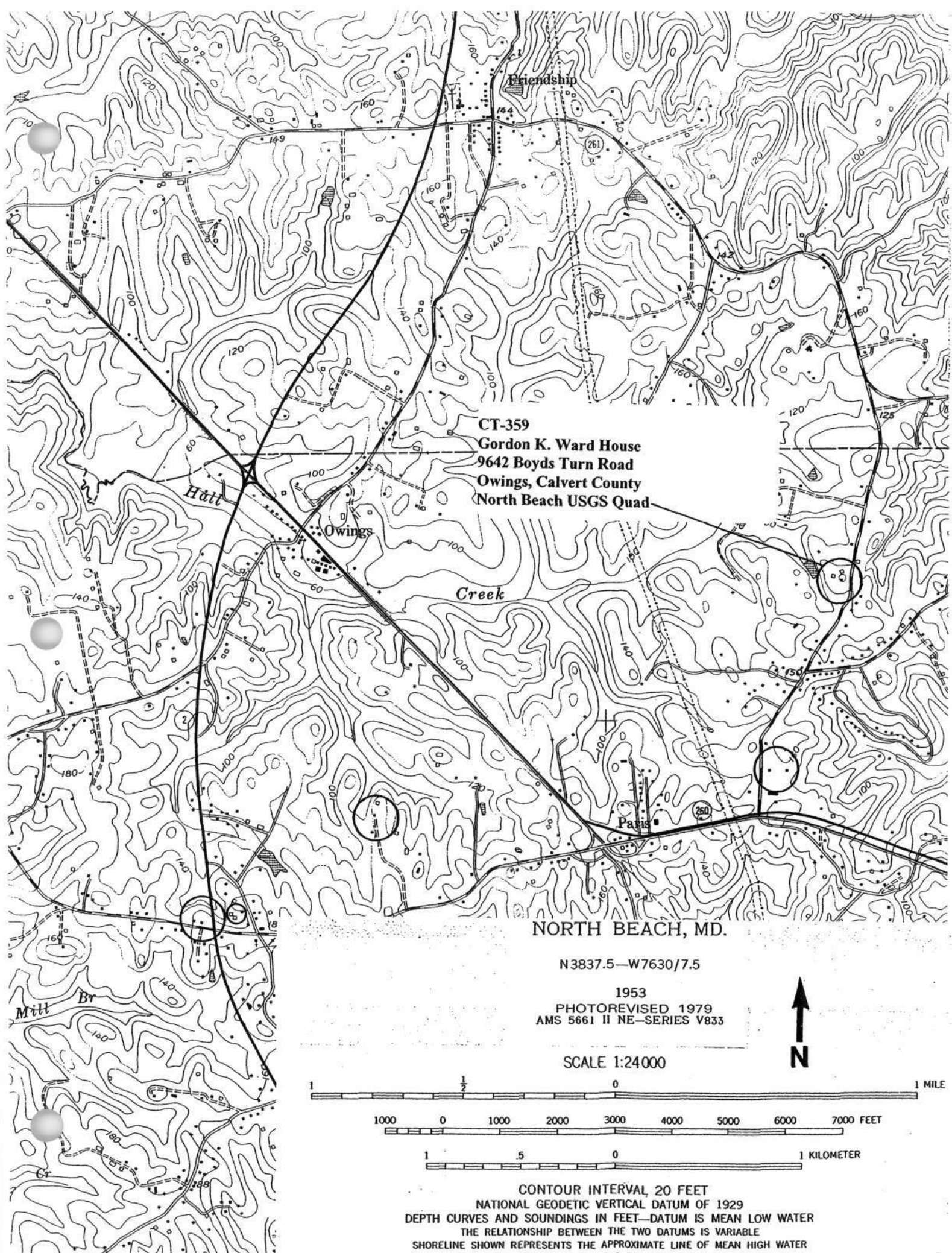
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Crownsville MD 21032
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RESOURCE SURVEY MAP

OWINGS
CALVERT COUNTY

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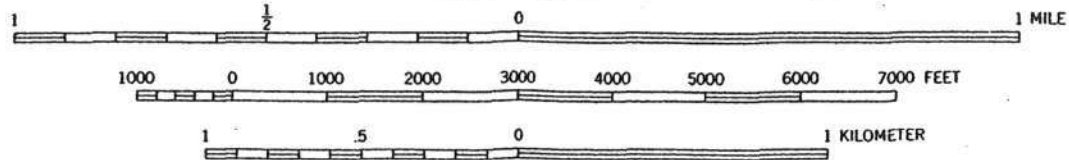
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Gordon K. Ward House
9642 Boyds Turn Road
Owings, Calvert County
North Beach USGS Quad

NORTH BEACH, MD.

N3837.5—W7630/7.5

1953
PHOTOREVISED 1979
AMS 5661 II NE—SERIES V833

SCALE 1:24000



CONTOUR INTERVAL, 20 FEET
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929
DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER
THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO DATUMS IS VARIABLE
SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE LINE OF MEAN HIGH WATER
THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDES IS 1.5 FEET AT AVERAGE TIDE



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GORDON K. WARD HOUSE

9642 BOYDS TURN ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

1/2003

MD SHPO

HOUSE, EAST ELEVATION

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GORDON K. WARD HOUSE
9642 BOYDS TURN ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

1/2003

MD SHPO

HOUSE, SOUTHWEST CORNER

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GORDON K. WARD HOUSE
9642 BOYDS TURN ROAD
CALVERT COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

1/2003

MD SHPO

HOUSE, NORTH WEST CORNER

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GORDON K. WARD HOUSE

9642 BOYDS TURN ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

1/2003

MD SHPO

BARN AND SHEDS, VIEW LOOKING SOUTHEAST

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9642 BOYDS TURN ROAD
CALVERT COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

1/2003

MD SHPO

BARN, SOUTHEAST CORNER

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GORDON K. WARD HOUSE
(Mid-19th century)
Owings
Private

This house is a two story, three bay frame structure sheathed with lapped wooden siding. It has six over six pane window sashes with simple architraves. The main entrance is located in the north end bay of the front or east elevation and includes a pair of sidelights. One of the most notable features of the house is the pair of exterior brick chimneys located against the south gable wall.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Gordon K. Ward House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Boyd's Turn Road

CITY, TOWN

Owings

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

☒ VICINITY OF Paris

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Calvert

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

☐ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED

☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Gordon K. Ward

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Boyd's Turn Road

CITY, TOWN

Owings

☒ VICINITY OF Paris

STATE, zip code

MD 20736

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Calvert County

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street (MD Route 765)

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

Maryland

Liber #: JLB 9

Folio #: 178

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is a two story, three bay frame structure which faces east. It is sheathed with lapped wooden siding and has six over six pane window sashes with simple architraves. The main entrance is located in the north end bay of the front elevation. A pair of sidelights flank the door. There is a modern gable roofed front porch.

The roof is sheathed with sheet metal. One of the most notable features of the exterior is the pair of brick chimneys located against the south gable wall.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Mid 19th Century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Although it has been much altered, this house may have originated as a side-hall double-parlor dwelling heated by double end chimneys. This type was popular in Calvert County from 1790 to 1860. This house may have appeared similar to CT-19, His Lordship's Favor, a well-preserved 1839 house of this style.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Merry Stinson

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Calvert County Historic Sites Survey

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Route 5, Box 154

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

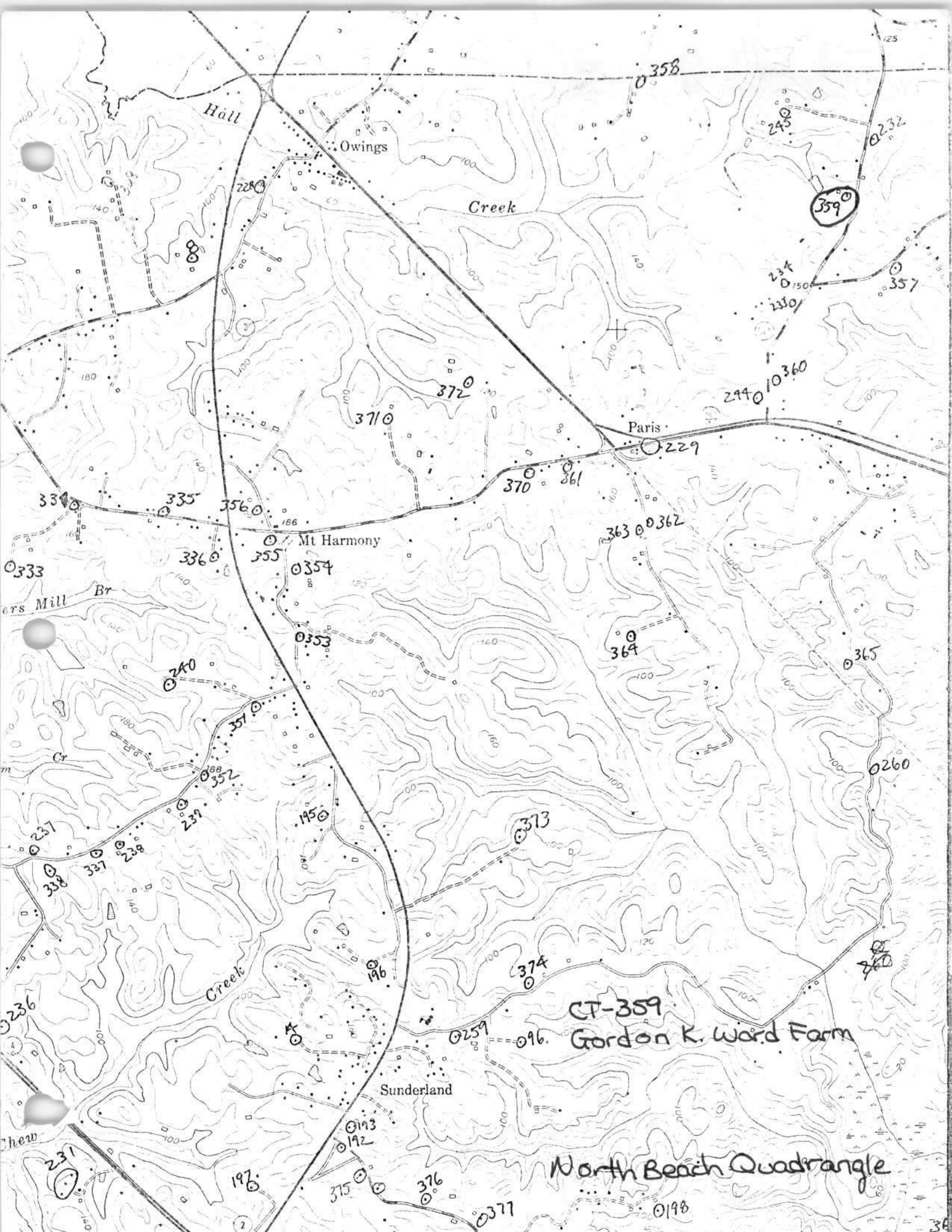
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S & E elevations

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